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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:
Kumhyr et al.

: Before the Examiner:
: Rampuria, Satish

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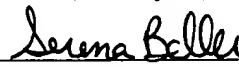
In response to the Office Action having a mailing date of March 1, 2004 (Paper No. 3), having a three-month shortened statutory period for response set to expire on June 1, 2004, please reconsider the rejections of the claims in view of the following remarks:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 10 of this paper.

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